

## \$3,000,000 LOSS IN BIG FIRE

Much Property Destroyed at  
Superior, Wis.

## IT STARTED LAST NIGHT

Among the Ruins Are 40 Homes and  
Many Mills—One Man Is Be-  
lieved to Have Per-  
ished.

Duluth, Minn., Nov. 9.—A fire which started in the Great Northern elevator at Superior, Wis., last night, was still burning early today after having destroyed the elevator, three flour mills, 40 homes and 700,000 bushels of grain, two scows, two tugs and a derrick. The loss is estimated at \$3,000,000. One man is believed to have perished in the flames.

## HURRYING TO FIRE, FATALLY INJURED

Driver John O'Brien Killed Outright and  
Two Other Buffalo Firemen Were  
Probably Fatally Injured  
Today.

Rochester, N. Y., Nov. 9.—Driver John O'Brien was killed and Capt. William Hines, Herring and George Peartree were probably fatally injured early today in a collision between a horse wagon responding to a still alarm and an electric car.

## J. H. CHOATE PRESIDENT.

Elected By Civil Service Reform League  
—Resolutions at Convention.

Buffalo, N. Y., Nov. 9.—The 27th annual meeting of the National Civil Service Reform League practically ended yesterday afternoon. J. H. Choate was elected president at yesterday's session and resolutions were adopted commending President Roosevelt for "determined and effective enforcement of the civil service laws and rules" and expressing satisfaction that Congress gives evidence of stronger support of the principles of the merit system. The resolutions urge Congress to take further steps to relieve its members entirely from the "unprofitable labor of distributing patronage" and urge the President and Congress to provide for competitive classification of assistant postmasters, pension examining surgeons and fourth class postmasters; also to provide that all other postmasters and all collectors of customs and internal revenue shall be appointed by promotion thereby abolishing the present practice of appointing inexperienced persons.

## CRAZED BY DEATH OF HER MOTHER

New York Young Woman Drank Half  
Pint of Poison and Then Threw  
Herself From Roof of Seven  
Story Building.

New York, Nov. 9.—Crazed by the death of her mother to whom she was devoted, Miss Helen Schwab, 23 years old, drank the contents of a half pint bottle of poison, and then cast herself from the roof of the seven story apartment house in West 114th street, where she lived, last yesterday. She was almost instantly killed.

The mother of the young woman had been an invalid for months and four months ago underwent an operation for cancer of the breast. Yesterday afternoon Mrs. Schwab died suddenly.

## KAISER IN GOOD SPIRITS.

Is Crossing to England to Be Guest of  
King Edward.

Flushing, Holland, Nov. 9.—Kaiser Wilhelm and consort sailed for England today on the imperial yacht Hohenzollern. A brilliant suite, including several members of the German cabinet accompanied him. The British channel fleet is making as the Hohenzollern's escort from Flushing to Portsmouth. The Kaiser seemed in good health and spirits, despite the recent stories of his illness.

## HAS NOT DISCOVERED POISON FOR SURE

Reports Chemist Who Is Making An-  
alysis For Poison In Organs of  
Walter F. Baker Whose Death  
Was Considered Mysterious

Boston, Mass., Nov. 9.—Dr. William F. Ross, chemist at the Massachusetts general hospital, who is making an analysis to discover if there are any evidence of poison in the organs of Walter F. Baker, the clubman whose death at Bogota, N. J., recently was considered mysterious, last night stated that so far as he had proceeded, he had found no conclusive traces of poison.

## Horgan Beat Heuston.

St. Louis, Nov. 9.—John G. Horgan defeated Thomas A. Heuston in last night's game of the national football championship tournament, the score being 50 to 47. Horgan's high run was 41; average, 37; Heuston's high run 41; average, 36. At the other game yesterday Jesse Leand forfeited to Frank Day 50 to 2.

## SPLENDID PRESENT TO KING EDWARD

Great Cullinan Diamond, So Big That  
They Don't Know What to Do  
With It—Gift of Transvaal  
Government.

London, Nov. 9.—This is King Edward's birthday and he received a gift, with which he hasn't the remotest idea what to do. It is the great Cullinan diamond. It is a present made by the Transvaal government, weighing 1,337 pounds and valued at \$2,500,000, too big to be placed in the royal crown or worn by Queen Alexandra. The whole royal household is trying to think of some use for the present.

## TWO TERRIBLY BURNED.

Staging on Which Five Men Were at  
Work Broke.

Providence, R. I., Nov. 9.—Two men are lying at the point of death at the Rhode Island hospital and three others are glad that they are alive, as the result of the breaking of the staging on a Washington street house yesterday. Three of them luckily stepped up to the roof just when the bolts gave way. The other two fell to the ground, twenty feet below. The fatally injured are:

Fred L. Vamhan, 40 years old, contractor, River Point, broken back and contusions about the body.  
Fred Larane, 30 years, carpenter, Arcadia Center, R. I., concussion of the brain and injured back.

## GIVES UP ROADS.

President Mellen Waiting to Hear About  
His Rights.

New York, Nov. 9.—President Mellen of the New York, New Haven & Hartford R. R. has retired from all connection with the Massachusetts trolley lines west of Worcester and it is reported that he will soon sever his connections with all Massachusetts trolley lines to allow the state authorities to settle the question of ownership and management of trolleys by state roads themselves. The retirement was announced at yesterday's meeting of the railroad directors and was given to the public today.

## SECOND HEIR BORN TO CROWN PRINCE

Friedrich William and Wife of Germany  
are Happy Parents of Child  
Born Today.

Berlin, Nov. 9.—The crown prince of Germany has given birth to a son. The child is the second born to Crown Prince Frederick William and his consort, formerly Duchess of Mecklenburg. The first son was born July 4, 1906.

## HIGH WATER AT RUTLAND.

Streams Overflow and Road Is Closed  
to Traffic.

Rutland, Nov. 9.—The heavy rains have raised streams to the highest point known for the past two years, and unusually high for the time of year.

A dam on Mill river at East Wallingford last evening was deluged with tons of cider apples and 30 empty casks belonging to Roy Briggs were swept away.

Owing to the overflow of Otter creek at Clarendon, it was with difficulty that James Butler rescued his cattle. The river overflowed its banks near this city, and one of the principal highways was closed to traffic.

## INVESTIGATING READVILLE.

New England Breeders to Determine Its  
Financial Condition.

Boston, Nov. 9.—The question of the future of the Readville Trotting park was placed in the hands of an investigation committee of the New England Trotting Horse Breeders' association at a meeting at Young's hotel yesterday. The committee will report at a meeting in December, on a relief from an average of \$100,000 for the past year, and whether it would be advisable to sell the property for the benefit of the creditors and stockholders.

## Private Bankers Stop.

Houston, Texas, Nov. 9.—Vineyard, Walker & Co., private bankers, doing business at Eagle Lake, closed their doors yesterday afternoon and filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy in the federal court in Houston. There is no estimate of the deposits or other liabilities, but a schedule is to be filed.

## Male Choral Art Club Coming.

Tickets for the grand concert to be given next Thursday evening by the Male Choral Art Club of Boston are going fast and should be procured at once by those who have not yet purchased them and who would not like to be disappointed. For the convenience of those living in outside towns, exchange tickets have been placed as follows:

Montpelier, Bruce McDonald.  
East Montpelier, J. Fred Robbins.  
North Montpelier, William G. Nye.  
Plainfield, E. D. Bartlett.  
Marshfield, Mrs. E. V. Spencer.  
Cabot, W. B. Lane.

Parties from above towns take regular train over. There will be a special train back over the M. & W. R. R. after the concert. This special train is guaranteed. Tickets are on sale also at: South Barre, Mrs. J. Edward Ward. Williamstown, Charles M. Edson. East Brookfield, Arthur Bigelow. Reserve tickets on sale and for exchange at E. C. Brown's drug store at and after 6:00 p. m. Monday evening, November 11th. Prices \$50, 75c and \$1. Many were disappointed not to have heard the concert last year. Remember, there are three first and three second tenors, three baritone and three bass, twelve in all and each a star. You have all heard one quartette. Think of three well-blended quartettes and what that means in volume and range. You surely will not miss this, the greatest musical event of a year. Next Thursday evening at Barre opera house.

## TOOK VERDICT VERY CALMLY

Fairbanks Found Guilty To-  
day Second Degree Murder

## IN KILLING MARY GROUT

Trial Has Been on For Four Weeks in  
Windham County—Judge Hasleton  
Gave Charge to the Jury  
Yesterday Afternoon.

Newfane, Nov. 9.—William Fairbanks who has been on trial in Windham county court for nearly four weeks, charged with killing Mary GROUT, was found guilty today of murder in the second degree. Fairbanks killed the woman in a fit of jealousy because she refused to live with him. The prisoner received the verdict calmly.

Fairbanks was then sentenced to life imprisonment in the state prison. Fairbanks sat with his eyes closed throughout the argument and charge yesterday afternoon but his face was flushed at times, and occasionally he would slide down in his chair and rest his knees against the table in front of him.

Judge Seneca Hasleton concluded his charge to the jury at 3:41 o'clock in the afternoon, and at 3:53 the door of the jury room was closed.

Judge Hasleton began his charge at 2. The testimony of Myra Tuttle, upon which the state relied to a large extent to show premeditation, Judge Hasleton said, was uncorroborated and he told the jury they might reject her testimony if they could not rely upon it.

As to the white shoes and stockings found in the grip which Fairbanks carried with him and hid near the house on the night of the shooting and which the state claimed he intended to have Mary GROUT laid out in, Judge Hasleton said if Fairbanks intended to kill Mary GROUT and not himself he hardly could expect to have a voice in the matter of how she should be laid out, and that if he intended to kill both her and himself, it could not be expected that anybody could find the grip and get the shoes and stockings.

## TRYING DR. H. H. READ ON CRUELTY CHARGE

Husband of State W. C. T. U. President  
Is Accused of Driving a Horse  
Which Was in Bad Condition.

Burlington, Nov. 9.—The case of the State vs. Dr. H. H. Read of Shelburne for alleged cruelty to a horse was begun in Chittenden county court yesterday. Dr. Read and Mrs. Read, state president of the W. C. T. U., drove in from Shelburne March 20, 1906, with a horse, which was said to have had a broken ligament in its ankle.

The case is exciting much comment owing to the prominence of Mrs. Read, and a large number of the W. C. T. U. members were present at the beginning of the trial. Mrs. Read sat with her husband inside the bar, and both were much interested in the selection of the judge. State's Attorney Sherman prosecuted and Burlington lawyers appear for the Reads.

## WAS MUCH BELOVED.

Lilla M. Hosmer, Who Died This Week  
in Groton, Aged 22 Years.

Groton, Nov. 9.—Lilla M. Hosmer, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Clarke and wife of Robert Hosmer, died at her home in this village Tuesday afternoon at the age of twenty-two years. Sunday evening she gave birth to a daughter, which died at birth. Mrs. Hosmer was one of the successful young school teachers of our town, devoting several years to the work, to which she seemed especially adapted. Possessing a lovely nature, she won and held the love of her pupils. In 1905 she married Robert Hosmer, and proved herself an ideal homemaker.

Besides her husband and parents the deceased is survived by three sisters, Mrs. S. Anderson of this town, Mrs. William Reid of Montpelier, and Miss Gertrude Clark, who have the heartfelt sympathy of all. Funeral services were held Friday at 1 o'clock at the Baptist church, Rev. M. S. Edger officiating, assisted by Rev. W. S. Wallace of South Ryegate.

The two schools at Westville, where Mrs. Hosmer had taught several terms, and the village school attended in a body, also the orders of Knights of Pythias and Pythian Sisters, the beautiful burial service of the latter, of which she was a member, being carried out at the grave. The unusually large attendance and the beauty and fragrance of the large number of floral tributes bore mute but impressive testimony of the love and esteem in which the deceased was held.

## Overboard and Drowned.

Boston, Nov. 9.—John Hughes, aged 40, of Prince Edward Island, fell overboard while trying to board the schooner Quanaquet, to which he was attached, and was drowned last night. He was unmarried.

## TALK OF THE TOWN

The Clover club will meet with Mrs. Mac E. Pratt, Tuesday, Nov. 12. The ladies that are to join the walking party will meet with Mrs. Waite at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning.

## GODDARD'S CLAIM TO CHAMPIONSHIP

Barre Team's Goal Line Has Not Been  
Crossed in Six Games and Only  
Four Points Have Been Scored.

The basis of Goddard's claim to the championship of Vermont, as noted recently, is a record of no defeats in six games and their goal line never crossed. The only score against the team was a goal from the field by St. Johnsbury, and the score of the game, 21 to 1, was sufficient to show Goddard's superiority. Furthermore, Goddard is the only school team in the state that has defeated Burlington high school, Montpelier academy and St. Johnsbury academy. Other of the stronger teams in the northern part of the state disbanded before Goddard had a chance to try conclusions with them.

In the six games thus far played (and it is practically the entire schedule since several teams have canceled) Goddard rolled up a record of 113 to 0. Montpelier academy was twice defeated, by the scores of 16 to 0 in the first game and 44 to 0 in the return engagement. Twice St. Johnsbury academy went down to defeat, scores 5 to 0 and 21 to 0. Burlington high school lost to Goddard by the score of 22 to 0, and then disbanded before the second game could be played. Goddard defeated the heavy second team of the university of Vermont by the score of 5 to 0, and the return game will be played on the local campus Monday afternoon. The result of this game can have no effect on Goddard's claim to the scholastic championship, as the visitors are made up of college men.

The only possible claimant to the championship besides Goddard is Vermont academy at Saxton's River, which perhaps is supreme in the southern tier of counties, but with a record hardly to be compared with that of the northern school. It is unfortunate that V. A., if claiming the right to the title of championship, and Goddard could not line up against each other.

## CLAIMS WOMAN WAS HIS LEGAL WIFE

Further Mystery Tacked Onto the Inci-  
dents Connected with Death of  
Mamie King, Who Died in Bur-  
lington from Inhaling Gas.

Burlington, Nov. 9.—A man signing his name as Charles Willison and writing from Wilmington, Ohio, has directed an inquiry to the Burlington Free Press for information concerning the death of Mamie King, who was found unconscious from inhaling illuminating gas in a room in the Russell house on the night of September 29, and who died several days later. The writer of the letter claims to have been the husband of the woman, writing that they were married December 31, 1903. He also asks if the fellow who went to the hotel with her has been found.

The identity of the strange man has not been established. They went to the hotel together and shortly afterwards the man left. The girl was not found until the next day. After being removed to the Mary Fletcher hospital, she recovered consciousness enough to say a few words.

## BETTER SHOWING.

Made by Montpelier High School Stu-  
dents This Year.

Montpelier, Nov. 9.—At the meeting of the school board last evening reports were read giving the standing of the students and classes in the high school. The entering class this year is the largest that there has ever been, and the average in failures this year is 30 per cent., against 40 per cent. last year. One reason for the smaller number of failures is that the class is the best one yet, and the other reason is that the students of the country are now required to pass an examination before entering the high school classes.

## SUNDAY SERVICES

Times and Places of Worship and Sub-  
jects of Sermons.

Universalist church: Rev. Irving Towles of Washington will preach in exchange with the pastor.

Christian Science services tomorrow at 10:45 a. m.; Wednesday evening at 7:30; reading room open Tuesday, and Friday from 2 to 4 o'clock, at 7 Summer street.

The regular services will be held in the Presbyterian church tomorrow. The pastor will have ever graduated, and another reason is that the students of the country are now required to pass an examination before entering the high school classes.

Congregational church: The pastor will conduct the services. Morning theme, "The Church and the Masses." The masses are cordially invited to attend. Evening subject, "The Call to Be and Do Our Best."

At St. Monica's church: Children's mass at 9 o'clock, celebrant, Rev. P. M. McKenney; Bible school at 10:30 o'clock; celebrant, Rev. E. F. Gray; catechism, 3 p. m.; rosary and benedictions 4 p. m.; baptisms at 4 p. m.

Hedding Methodist church, Edward O. Thayer, pastor; morning worship at 10:30; children's sermon on "Jesus' Parables"; topic of sermon, "The Life-saving Service." Bible school at 12 o'clock; league at 3. North Barre mission at 3:30. Epworth league at 6; topic, "Conversion of the Gentiles." Evangelistic service at 7; subject of sermon, "Immediate Choice of Service." Class meeting and probationers' study class on Tuesday evening at 7. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 7:15; subject, "Power." 1 Cor. 1:20-31.

First Baptist church: Morning worship with message by the pastor, subject, "This Grace Also." Bible school at 12:00. C. E. meeting at 6:00 and evening worship at 7:00. In the evening Mr. F. R. Spaulding of the Euclid Avenue Baptist church, Cleveland, O., will speak. Everybody cordially invited. Prayer meeting Thursday evening, followed by the mission study class. There is a very excellent interest in both these services. Teachers' meeting Friday evening.

## VERMONT GETS MEDAL

For Collective Mineral Exhibit  
at Jamestown.

## HAD OVER 100 SPECIMENS

Secretary Forbes of the Vermont Com-  
mission Was Notified Today of the  
Success of the State's Efforts  
in This Line.

St. Albans, Nov. 9.—Secretary Charles S. Forbes of the Vermont commission to the Jamestown exhibition received word today that Vermont had been awarded a silver medal for its collective mineral exhibit in the mines and metallurgy building at the exhibition. The winning exhibit consists of finished specimens of one hundred varieties of marble, granite, slate and other products.

## BIANCHI CLAIMED HE WAS THREATENED

Respondent on the Stand Said Three  
Men Passed Him, One of Whom  
Said: "I'm Going to Kill  
That 'Nigger'."

The chief point brought out today in the defense of Joseph Bianchi charged with assault with intent to kill, in the trial being held in county court, was the testimony of the respondent that his life had been threatened. Bianchi said that some time prior to the picnic where the fracas occurred, when he was in his arrest, he passed three men, one of whom said: "I'm going to kill that 'nigger' (Bianchi's nickname)." Bianchi said that he didn't know the fellow but he saw him at the picnic June 23, recognizing him by his back.

On this the defense hopes to make Bianchi's carrying of a revolver plausible, since he might be attacked. Bianchi testified that a flier objected to the Anti-Pirates was printed by a man named Marini. He said that he didn't write it himself. With his testimony the defense rested, and the state returned three witnesses in rebuttal, when court adjourned to Monday morning. It is still reported that Luigi Galliani will be put on the stand next week. The trial will probably run till Wednesday.

## GRIFFIN BOYS AGAIN.

Bound They'd Run Away and They Did  
This Morning.

Little Hermon Griffin and his younger brother, Charlie, seem bound to give their father and the Barre police as much trouble as possible. They were placed on probation in city court after pleading guilty to truancy and were paroled in the hands of their father. When they got out of court they told a big policeman that they wouldn't stay but would run away as soon as they got a chance. The boys made good on this morning, rising at three o'clock and running nobody knows where. The police were notified this forenoon and have been telephoning the surrounding towns in an endeavor to locate them.

## OPENS TONIGHT.

Annual Catholic Fair in Woodmen's  
Hall This Year.

The Catholic fair opens tonight at the Woodmen's hall. There will be an excellent entertainment every evening which will commence at 8 o'clock sharp. The entertainment this evening will be a choice selection of moving pictures under the management of the Wonderful Moving Picture Co. This company has for the past few months given some very fine exhibitions in moving pictures, and Mr. Flanagan assures us that the program tonight will be unexcelled. Dancing from 9 to 12 o'clock.

## FUNERAL OF ROBT. SIM.

Was Held Yesterday Afternoon, With  
Interment in Hope Cemetery.

The funeral of Robert Sim was held at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon from the late home on Harrington avenue, Rev. W. C. MacIntyre officiating. With the relatives and friends and the two orders to which the deceased belonged that attended in bodies, the house was crowded with people. The two orders were the Clan Gordon and the Manchester Unity, Odd Fellows. The pall bearers were three from each order. There was a profusion of flowers. The interment was in Hope cemetery.

## EASY FOR TWINS.

Barre and Montpelier Defeated Northfield  
in Shooting Competition.

The Montpelier gun club easily defeated Northfield yesterday for the series cup. Dr. Burr of Montpelier also won the Washington county trophy cup. The Montpelier gun club has now won the series cup three times and the final shoot will be held in Montpelier at a date to be decided upon later. The members of the Montpelier gun club who were in the shoot yesterday were, George E. McGrath, Dr. C. H. Burr and George Walton of Montpelier, B. A. Eastman and Fritz Jackson of Barre.

## Odd Fellows on a Jaunt.

Twenty-five members of Hiram's Lodge of Odd Fellows went to Williams-town last evening as the guests of the lodge there. The second degree was worked on one candidate by the Barre lodge and after the work a bounteous banquet was served. There was a very large attendance at the meeting, other visitors being present from East Barre, and a very pleasant time was enjoyed.

## METHODISTS COMING TO BARRE AGAIN

Vermont Conference Will Be Held Here  
Next April, With Bishop Cranston  
Presiding.

Barre will again have the pleasure of entertaining the Vermont Methodist conference again next year, the opening date being April 15, and Bishop East Cranston, D. D., L. L. D., of Washington, D. C., will be the presiding officer. This announcement has just been made by the board of bishops of the church, meeting at Spokane, Washington.

Thus the lot will fall to Barre to have the conference for the third time within eleven years. In 1896 the conference met here and, something unusual, Barre entertained it the following year also. There will be besides, a meeting of the lay electoral conference on one day to choose delegates for the general conference to be held in Baltimore in the following May. At the last Vermont conference, held in St. Johnsbury, the people of the community opened their homes so generally that there were accommodations for more delegates than appeared. There will be about 200 delegates for Barre to entertain, necessitating opening many homes to the visitors.

## ANOTHER LARGE CROWD

Attended the Ladies of Clan Gordon Fair  
Last Evening.

Another large crowd was present last evening at the second night of the Ladies of Clan Gordon fair, sustaining the prediction made after the auspicious opening night that the fair would be the most successful of the order has ever held. An enjoyable musical programme was given, and Mrs. Peter Mutch gave a very pleasing reading in the Scotch dialect. The musical numbers consisted of chorus singing under the direction of J. J. McKenzie, a vocal solo by George Mitchell, a mandolin selection by Messrs. Stewart and McRobie and a vocal solo by Miss Helen Johnson. The dancing which followed was liberally patronized by the young people. The fair closes this evening and the largest crowd of any of the three nights is expected. The programme for tonight will be as follows:

Piano solo, Miss Walker.  
Violin solo, James Carson.  
Farce, "Murder Will Out." Characters as follows:  
Grandma Stiles, an old Yankee woman, Lena Stiles, her granddaughter.  
Mrs. Rose Ellis.  
May Taylor, Lena's friend.  
Mrs. Margaret Coggins.  
Minnie Sprague, Lena's friend.  
Mrs. Lizzie Wood.  
Dinah, the colored cook.  
Mrs. Jessie Sheriff.  
Bridget O'Flaherty, looking for a situation.  
Mrs. Bella Crickshaft.  
The holder of door ticket number 127 for Friday night will get the prize at the Pavilion tonight.

## OPEN HOUSE FOR LADIES.

Was Given at Vincitia Club Rooms Last  
Evening to Large Crowd.

The first of a series of "open house" entertainments to the ladies was given by Vincitia club in its apartments in the Blanchard building last evening, and the rooms were crowded with members and their visitors until a late hour. The affair was entirely informal and proved to be very enjoyable. During the early part of the evening a brief programme was given, consisting of a vocal solo by Mrs. W. Frank Harris, a piano duet by Misses Spaulding and Quigley, and a vocal solo by Miss Lilla Morse. Each number was encored.

Light refreshments, consisting of sandwiches, wafers, cheese, olives, etc., as well as lemonade, were served in the card room, and the men were assisted in serving by Blanche Russell and Katherine Phelps. Afterwards those of the party who wished to dance went to the Knights of Pythias drill hall across the hall where Blanche Russell's orchestra furnished music for a varied dance order up to midnight. Others indulged in cards. The affair was in charge of the board of managers.

## "PIPED OFF" TO THE WEST.

E-Alderman J. J. McKenney Given a  
Surprise Last Evening.

A very pleasant surprise was sprung on J. J. McKenney last evening after his labors ceased as manager of the Clan Gordon Dramatic club, owing to his leaving for Colorado. "Jack" made his last public appearance in Barre at the Ladies of the Clan Gordon fair last evening, directing the chorus singing, and after the chorus had sung, "Will Ye No Come Back Again?" the last selection, "Jack" was called to the Clan Gordon fair. A party of about 20 of his friends followed. On arriving at the rooms, James B. Coggins then explained the reason for the gathering, and in behalf of the party presented "Jack" a handsome briar pipe and a Masonic emblem pin, as a token of their friendship and appreciation of his labors in the dramatic club. "Jack" very fittingly responded. He starts this evening for Saluda, Colorado, where he has accepted a fine position with the Saluda Granite company.

## JUDGE WINCH SELLS FARM.

The Purchaser Is A. G. Nelson of This  
City, Who Buys for a Home.

Judge Maynard Winch of Washington county court has sold his farm in Barre Town, lying just east of the city line, to A. G. Nelson of this city, who expects to occupy the place as soon as arrangements can be completed. The farm consists of about 40 acres and has a fine residence and commodious barns. This has been the home place of Judge Winch for 35 years. It will be welcome news to people in the town, as well as in the city, that the Winch family will still make their home here, although their plans have not been definitely decided upon.

The Young Woman's Tourist club will meet with Mrs. Veale Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

## CRANE FELL WITH A CRASH

Fortunate Escape From a  
Fatality Today

## AT LELAND & HALL PLANT

Traveling Derrick Collapsed, the Opera-  
tor, Will Jackson, Falling With It,  
But Escaping Serious Injury—  
Machine Now in Bad Shape.

A remarkable escape from fatality was the experience of several men employed at the granite plant of Leland & Hall company today, when the immense traveling crane, weighing many tons, fell with a crash. With it fell William Jackson, the operator, who occupies a seat in the crane, and marvellously got out of the mass of twisted and broken machinery with nothing more than bruises as the result of the drop of fifteen feet.

The cause of the accident was given out as the slipping of a chain which was used in transporting granite. The derrick was manufactured at the Lane company in Montpelier. Working nearby were four or five granite cutters, and that they were not caught and crushed by the machinery or its weight is the most satisfactory thing about a sorry job. The crane was put completely out of commission and whether or not it was rendered permanently useless has not yet been determined.

## EXPECT FINE SHOW OF POULTRY LINE

Vermont Association at Meeting Last  
Evening Received Very Encourag-  
ing Reports for the Coming  
Exhibition.

A meeting of the Vermont Poultry and Pet Stock association was held last evening in Sweden & Lyon's store and was well attended by the stockholders and others interested in poultry raising. The association's second annual exhibit is to be held January 7, 8, 9 and 10, and preliminary arrangements for this were discussed last evening. The association is already receiving notices from poultry men of the exhibits they will send and the outlook for the success of the show is exceptionally encouraging at this time.

The association's first show last year was the best held in the state, and they expect to have an even better exhibit this year both in number of exhibits and quality of breeds. The Messrs. Hawkins, Shores and Coolidge, the best judges in New England, have been secured to award the prizes.

## BANQUET WAS SERVED.

Which Was Attended by Many of the  
Congregational Sunday School.

The teachers and officers and the Sunday school of the Congregational church, to the number of 64, gathered at a banquet in the vestry last evening and spent a most instructive as well as enjoyable evening. The prettily set tables were arranged in the form of a hollow square, and a delightful banquet was served. After the good things had been eaten, the Sunday school superintendent, H. G. Woodruff, as toastmaster, gave an interesting talk on matters pertaining to the Sunday school work in general, and then called